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Subject: Your application for access to documents – GESTDEM 2020/3456

Dear Mr Schindler,

We refer to your e-mail of 05/06/2020 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 08/06/2020 under the above-mentioned reference number.

You request access to "a copy of each Access to Documents request from 2018 and 2019 that was refused registration because the requesting person did not provide a postal address".

This reply relates only to the documents held by the Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs.

Your application concerns the following document:

- Ares(2018)6009107 - email sent from a citizen to the Unit GROW B2 on 23/11/2018

A complete disclosure of the identified document is prevented by the exception concerning the protection of privacy and the integrity of the individual outlined in Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, because it contains the personal data (the name and contact details) of the applicant.

Article 9(1)(b) of the Data Protection Regulation does not allow the transmission of these personal data, except if you prove that it is necessary to have the data transmitted to you for a specific purpose in the public interest and where there is no reason to assume that the legitimate interests of the data subject might be prejudiced. In your request, you do

not express any particular interest to have access to these personal data nor do you put forward any arguments to establish the necessity to have the data transmitted for a specific purpose in the public interest.

Consequently, I conclude that, pursuant to Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, access cannot be granted to the personal data contained in the requested documents, as the need to obtain access thereto for a purpose in the public interest has not been substantiated and there is no reason to think that the legitimate interests of the individuals concerned would not be prejudiced by disclosure of the personal data concerned.

In case you would disagree with this position, you are entitled, in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, to submit a confirmatory application requesting the Commission to review this position.

Such a confirmatory application should be addressed within 15 working days upon receipt of this letter to the Secretariat-General of the Commission at the following address:

European Commission
Secretariat-General
Unit C.1. 'Transparency, Document Management and Access to Documents'
BERL 7/076
B-1049 Brussels, or by email to: sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu

Yours sincerely,

Matthias SCHMIDT- GERDTS Head of Unit

Enclosure: Annex